

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF MEADE COUNTY RURAL )      CASE NO.  
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION )      2010-00222  
TO ADJUST ELECTRIC RATES            )

O R D E R

On August 6, 2010, Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Meade County") submitted for filing an application for an adjustment of electric rates based on a historical test period. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on September 12, 2010.

By letter dated August 11, 2010, the Commission notified Meade County that its rate application was rejected as deficient. In response to the Commission's rejection letter, Meade County filed, on August 16, 2010, the information cited in the August 11, 2010 letter. The Commission accepted the information and deemed the application filed as of August 16, 2010. The proposed revised effective date for the new rates is September 18, 2010.

Based on a review of Meade County's rate application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that the investigation cannot be concluded by September 18, 2010. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed rates for five months.

The Commission expects the parties to use their best efforts to informally resolve any discovery disputes. Any such informal resolution should be promptly reduced to writing and filed with the Commission and all parties of record. Absent informal resolution, an objection or motion should be filed at least four business days prior to the established due date. If this deadline is not met, the filing party should include in the written objection or motion a full and complete explanation for such failure.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Meade County's rates are suspended for five months from the September 18, 2010 effective date up to and including February 17, 2011.

2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix attached hereto and incorporated herein shall be followed.

3. a. All requests for information and responses thereto shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed and the original and ten copies shall be filed with the Commission, with copies to all parties of record. Any request for information by letter from the Commission Staff shall be responded to as if set forth in a Commission Order. All responses shall include the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided.

b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

c. A party shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect.

d. For any request to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

4. Any party filing testimony shall file an original and ten copies with the Commission, with copies to all parties of record.

5. Meade County shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set out in 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(5). At the time publication is requested, Meade County shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

6. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimony shall be permitted.

7. Any objections or motions relating to discovery or procedural dates shall be filed upon four business days' notice or the filing party shall explain, in writing, why such notice was not possible.

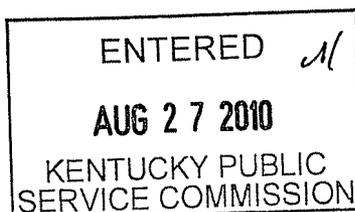
8. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

9. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

By the Commission



APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2010-00222 DATED **AUG 27 2010**

All initial requests for information to Meade County  
shall be filed no later than.....09/10/2010

Meade County shall file responses to initial requests  
for information no later than.....09/29/2010

All supplemental requests for information to  
Meade County shall be filed no later than.....10/12/2010

Meade County shall file responses to supplemental  
requests for information no later than .....10/22/2010

Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared form,  
shall be filed no later than.....11/03/2010

All requests for information to Intervenors shall be  
filed no later than .....11/15/2010

Intervenors shall file responses to requests for  
information no later than .....11/30/2010

Last day for Meade County to publish notice of hearing ..... To be scheduled

Public hearing for the purpose of cross-examination  
of witnesses of Meade County and Intervenors..... To be scheduled

Simultaneous Briefs, if any ..... To be scheduled

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